

## AN ESSAY, BUT NOT READ

One of the High School Graduating Class Who Was Absent.

## HOME IN ANOTHER WORLD

Young George E. Willard Prepared for the Commencement Day Exercises-Formation of Our Government.

BUTTE, June 16.—There was one graduating essay prepared for the exercises of the High school Tuesday afternoon which was not delivered. It was the essay of George E. Willard, the bright young boy who died a few weeks ago just as the prospects of his young life seemed so bright. Master Willard was one of the STAND-ARD's carrier boys. The essay, which he had prepared with great pains, was found after his death. It was copied by Miss Annette Stanley and is as follows:

From time immemorial the question of government has been the leading feature of every country. In ancient times, when the inhabitants of Egypt roamed over the burning regions of their tropical clime, the thought uppermost in their minds was, How shall we be governed? All down through the ages, every nation has spent its best efforts in enacting laws to govern its people. The wisest and best people of all countries desire to be well governed. The maxim of government is, "As are the laws so are the people."

If a government is a bad one, it will inevitably be drawn down to their standard. A government cannot last that is better than the people. A good government is formed by good people, those who depend on their own resources. We may have thoughts which are not right, but should hold to them until they are proven otherwise.

What are called great social evils are found to be caused by man's perverted lives. The greatest patriotries lies not so much in the laws as it does in the people's efforts to help themselves. If self help we do not mean to do for ourselves by injury to others, or to the exclusion of others, but to try and do all we can for ourselves.

A drop does not rule the great states. The greatest slaves are the people who are their own slaves. Thus, moral ignorance, selfishness and vice. The people who are ruled by a despotic have the right to think, even if they dare not express their sentiments. While those who take it upon themselves to rule a nation, they are taking something not their own.

All nations have been made what they are by the workings of the minds of thousands of generations, each with its own lights in some of the many ways of life. Each has built on the solid wall of power left by those who came before. The present has inherited the vast estate reaped from the harvest of the past, and it must be founded down to those who come next, improved by reason of the intelligence of the age.

The spirit of self help has been a marked characteristic of the American people. Our greatness as a nation today in peace, as it has been in the past while at war, is due to the efforts of individuals, as well as universal. One's name may never be seen outside of his village or country yet he may have as great an influence on those few, as some great general of history had on many. Each commander passes involuntarily into those with whom he associates. It is shown in the history of great men, that those who were great in one thing were correspondingly deficient in another line. Many of our great statesmen were morally deficient. The first settlers of New England were filled with a love for success through the oppression of this government. New England was settled by those sturdy fathers who knew they must either succeed or die. The fear that the new country would not yield the required nourishment filled them with the increased vigor which has passed along the line to the present day.

History shows that all cannot succeed, that some must fail, others may rise. Even after we have fallen we must still hope that some day we will succeed. Life without this hope would be like the lower animals.

This beautiful universe would be unknown, unless it became necessary to change places in search of food. We live in the enlightened age of the nineteenth century, but there seems to be a lack of hope for success, or at least to such a high degree. Our hope should be as great as that of the ancients. For success to them was the wealth, health and world over. They have a hard task to find a race of people who are willing to let things go on as they please.

With hope for success it follows that we must look back over some of our childhood, yes, even our manhood, and think what we might have done, as a child, a youth, in manhood and old age. The past is like Banquo's ghost, it seems to haunt us at every turn.

We see wherein many precious moments have been wasted which would have led to the road to success. We seem to have been napping and we awake to find that it is late in the afternoon of life, and before we have become acquainted with the people and customs of the present. Father Time has folded us in his mantle and we go to the grave, and no one has suffered, unless we are the city's expense. All men are made equal, but the trouble is they do not remain equal, as there are different degrees of success, and the greatest is not attainable by mortals. But from there down we find men on every stair. If we are sure of succeeding we throw little ambition into our stride, and keep in our minds the maxim of the great painter: "Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle."

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## MORRILL AND STEWART.

Discussion of the Silver Bill in the Senate—Squire Makes a Speech.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—In the senate to-day, the silver bill was discussed by Morrill, who was replied to by Stewart, and it went over without action.

After a short discussion of the anti-option bill, it was referred to the judiciary committee, Washburn stating that the bill would be reported promptly by the committee.

The conference report on the river and harbor bill was made by Frye, who stated that an agreement had been reached on all but two amendments which were for a boat railway around the dikes of the Columbia river and for a canal in the state of Washington, to connect the waters of Lake Washington with those of Puget sound.

After a long session the senate insisted on its amendments and agreed to further conference, then adjourned till Monday next.

When the report of the conference committee on the river and harbor bill was under consideration in the senate to-day, Squire made a forcible speech in favor of the appropriation of \$500,000 to commence the work known as the Washington canal, connecting Lake Washington with Puget sound.

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## KANSAS CRANGERS.

People's Party Men Place a State Ticket in the Field.

WICHITA, Kansas, June 16.—After nominating L. D. Wellington for governor early this morning, the people's party convention chose W. D. Vincent for lieutenant governor by acclamation. Vincent declined to run and no attempt was made to nominate another candidate. The St. Louis platform was endorsed, with the following among other additions: That government only is good where an injury to one is the concern of all; that public roads should be supplied by public agencies; that the government should provide public telephones, telegraph lines, postal currency, and as nearly as practicable, the free delivery of mail to all people.

The platform endorses the Australian ballot bill and the election of railroad commissioners by vote of the people; favors pensions for disabled railroad employees to be paid by the companies and not by the state; and a resolution in favor of woman suffrage was adopted.

The following delegates to the national convention are reported: A. F. Allen, Wm. Cook, Frank Doster, H. M. Boyd, J. W. Murphy and John Hall.

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Few persons know how very useful soap-suds prove when employed as manure. Applied to the roots of vines, fruit trees, roses, etc., they impart a vigor and rapidity of growth which is perfectly surprising. No one who is so lucky as to have a garden should waste this valuable form of manure. It is an excellent plan to have a large tub, and put the soap-suds and dirty water into it till required upon the garden.

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